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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 6, 2008

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated August 6, 2008, in the above application. Applicants respectfully request amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims. It is respectfully submitted that entry of the following Response will place the pending claims in condition for allowance.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby submit a petition for an extension of time of three months for submitting a response to the Office Action dated August 6, 2008 in the above-referenced application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). A shortened statutory period of three months was set in the Office Action and expired on November 6, 2008. Thus, with a three-month extension, a response to the August 6, 2008 Office Action is timely if filed on or before February 6, 2009. In connection with this petition, please find payment in the amount of \$1110.00 submitted herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). If there are any additional fees due in connection

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with the filing of this response, please charge these additional fees (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 13-0019.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

In addition, please withdraw finality of rejection and continue examination of the above-referenced Application, as amended herein below, under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. In connection with this request, please charge \$810.00 (as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)) to Deposit Account No. 13-0019.

In connection with these requests, please charge a total of \$1,920.00 to Deposit Account No. 13-0019 to pay the applicable fees. If any additional fee is deemed payable (or overpayment creditable) in respect of this communication, please charge or credit such a fee to Deposit Account No. 13-0019.

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